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"YOU HOLD THE GATHERED WISDOM
OF PAST PRIMES. LOOK TO THEM FOR
GUIDANCE, *OPTIMUS PRIME*, AS
WE NOW LOOK TO YOU TO LEAD US
IN THESE *DARK TIMES*. THE FUTURE
OF THE *TRANSFORMER RACE*..."

"...IS IN
YOUR HANDS!"

CYBERTRON:

HUB-CAPITAL:
IACON:

FIRST ARC OF THE REIGN
OF OPTIMUS PRIME:

SUB-SURFACE
CYBERTRON:

THE
PLANETARY
CORE:

MEGATRON!

LET'S
FINISH
THIS!

IF MEGATRON
IS PROBLEM,
REMOVE HIM...
PERMANENTLY!



SUB-SURFACE
CYBERTRON:

FACE IT--
IT'S NOT
LOOKING
GOOD.

REMINDS
ME OF THE
TIME...

KUP,
PLEASE!

MAIN ENGINE
CHAMBER:

WE'RE
OUTNUMBERED THREE
TO ONE, PINNED DOWN
WITH LITTLE OR NO REAL
COVER, AND CYBERTRON
IS TURNING ITSELF
INSIDE OUT.

DON'T TRY
AND TELL ME
YOU'VE SEEN IT
ALL BEFORE.

I ONLY MEANT,
IRONHIDE, THAT
SOMETIMES THINGS
ARE JUST SO BAD...
THEY CAN ONLY GET
BETTER--

TK.

MUSKET
LASER'S DOWN
TO ITS LAST
POWER CELL.

"MARVELOUS. LET'S JUST
HOPE WHEELJACK IS
HAVING BETTER LUCK!"

HEY,
AUTOBOT--



COME OUT
AND DIE!

AUTOBOTS--
GONE!
SHOCKWAVE--
GONE! IACON--

--GONE!



SPOON!

FNF!



STARSCREAM,
PLEASE--



--LISTEN
TO ME! THE
MECHAFORMING
PLATFORM ISN'T
COMPATIBLE WITH THE
ENERGY FROM THE
PLANETARY
TURBINES.



THE SYSTEM'S
OVERLOADING!

GONE...

[illegible]

"...ALL GONE!"

DECEPTICONS--
WITHDRAW!

RETURN TO
KOLKULAR,
MAXIMUM
VELOCITY.

BEFORE THIS
CITY CONSUMES
US AS WELL.

HMGH...
JAZZ?

C'MON, PROWL,
ON YOUR FEET, WE
HAVE TO GO!

GO?

GO WHERE?

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WITHIN:

FINALLY, IT'S
SO VERY
CLEAR.

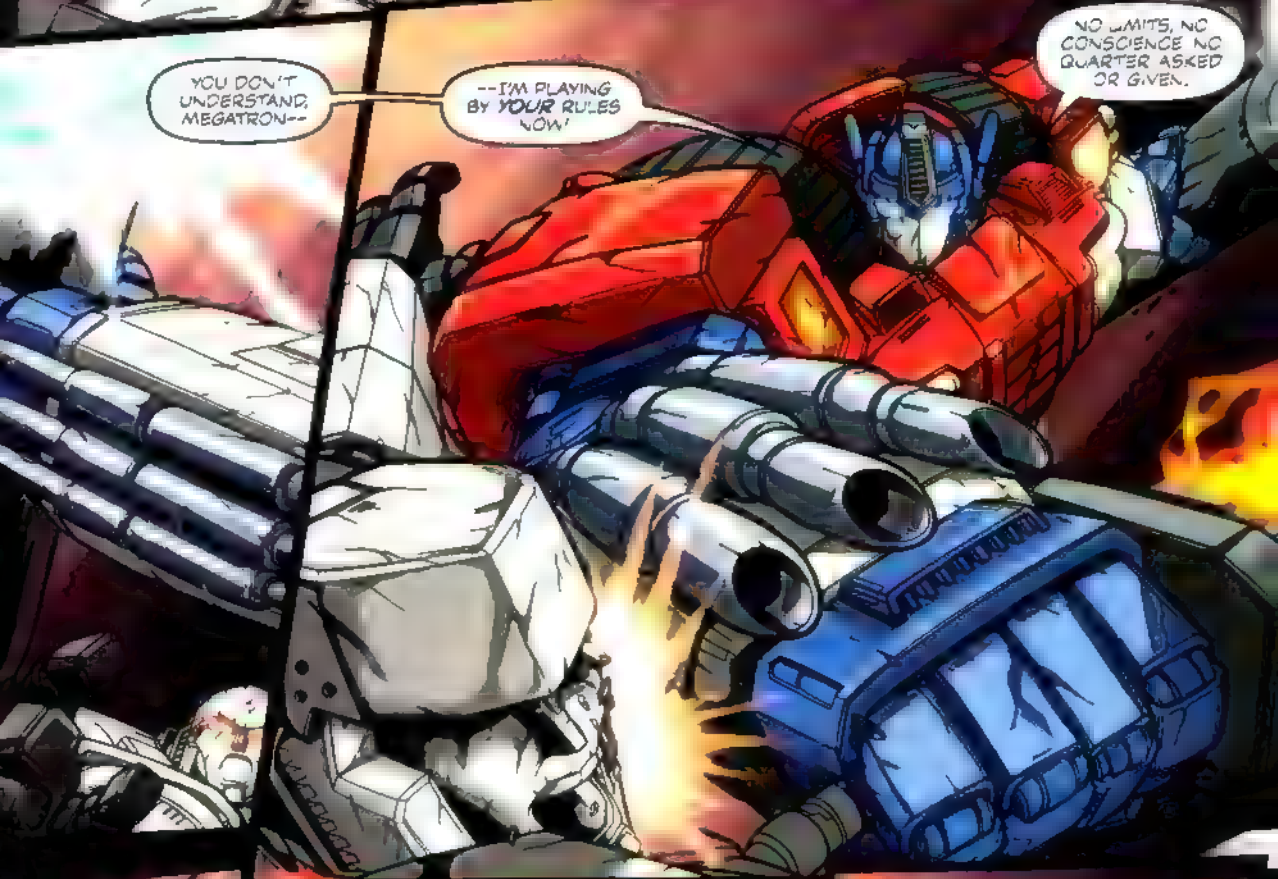
IT'S NOT JUST
ABOUT CYBERTRON,
THE WAR, OR EVEN
THE MATRIX...

...IT'S ABOUT
SAFEGUARDING OUR
VERY FUTURE!

YOU AND I... WE
WERE NOT *MEANT* TO
KNOW! ALL THAT YOU HAVE
SEEN, OF WHAT IS TO
COME... MUST BE *BURIED*
HERE, WITH YOU.

UH-AGH!
MISGUIDED
UPSTART...

SKRAK



SEVERAL PLANETARY
LEVELS ABOVE:

MIXMASTER
BONECRUSHER--

--WITH
ME.

ENGAGE
FORWARD
RAMMING
SHIELDS.

ACTIVATE
TARGETING
SCANNERS LOCK
WEAPONS

Uhh
AAARRH!

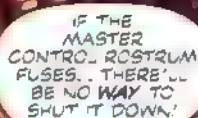
TSK TSK, SHAME ON
YOU MOTORMASTER.
FORGOT TO CHECK MIRROR
WHEN PULLING OUT!

HAVE TO
REVOKE
LICENSE!

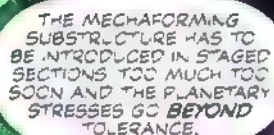
KRRR!!!



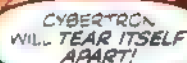
IT'S GOING!



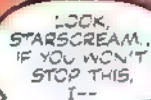
IF THE MASTER CONTROL ROSTRUM FUSES... THERE'LL BE NO WAY TO SHUT IT DOWN!



THE MECHAFORMING SUBSTRUCTURE HAS TO BE INTRODUCED IN STAGED SECTIONS TOO MUCH TOO SOON AND THE PLANETARY STRESSES GO BEYOND TOLERANCE.



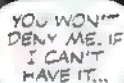
CYBERTRON WILL TEAR ITSELF APART!



LOOK, STARScream, IF YOU WON'T STOP THIS, I--



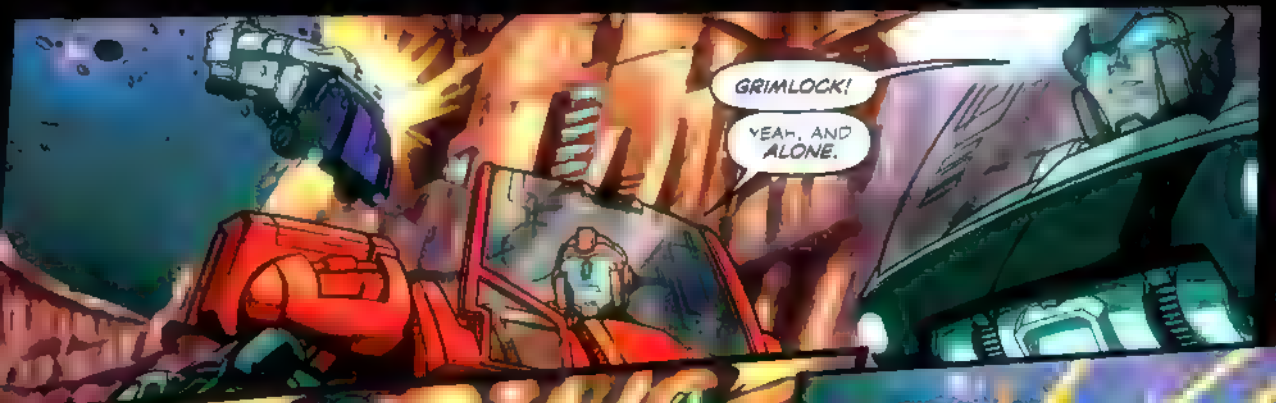
NO!



YOU WON'T DENY ME. IF I CAN'T HAVE IT...



...NO ONE WILL!



GRIMLOCK!

YEAH, AND ALONE.

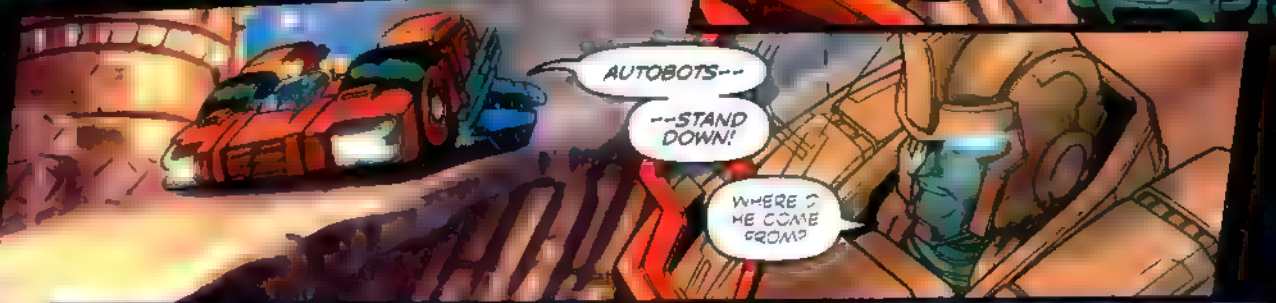


TOLD YOU TWO
TO S-HUT IT ALL
DOWN.

WHAT YOU
MAYBE WANT TO
LE THERE AND
THINK ABOUT T
SOME MORE?

AFTER
YOU...

NO I NSST..



AUTOBOTS---

--STAND
DOWN!

WHERE D
HE COME
FROM?



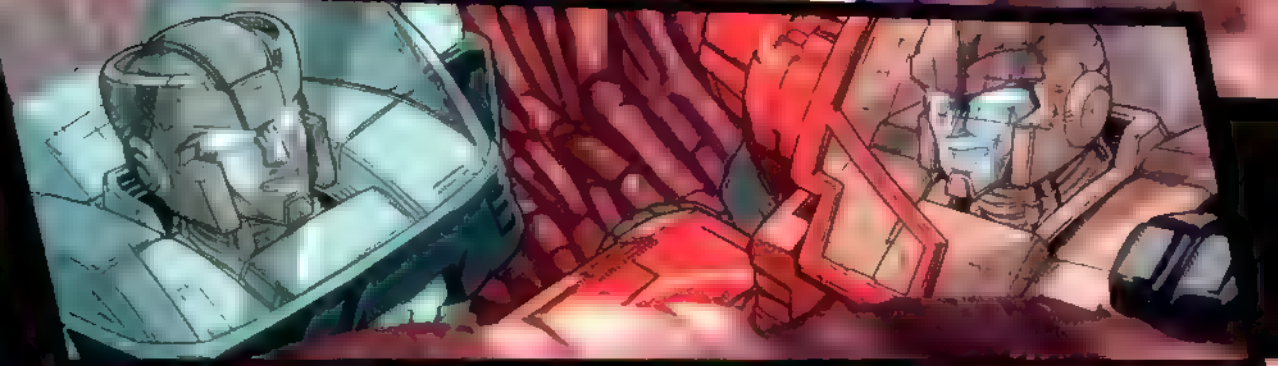
AS MUCH AS
I UNDERSTAND THIS AT
ALL, THE PLANET ITSELF
LED ME D RECTLY HERE.
IT CALLED FOR
HELP--

--AND
WE MUST
ANSWER!



WE'VE GOT
MAYBE ONE SHOT
AT THIS..

KUP, IRONHIDE...
I NEED A
DISTRACTION. DRAW
THEIR FIRE AWAY
FROM WHEELJACK...



HEY...
WE'RE
ON IT!

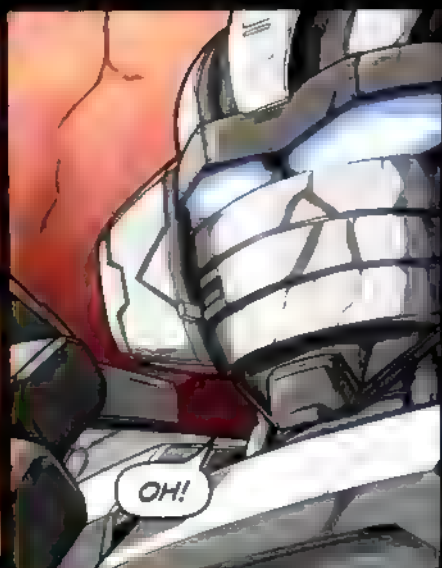
LET'S
ROLL OUT!



SAY AGAIN.
WHO--?

OH.

YOU WANT
ME TO GO
WHERE? DO
WHAT?



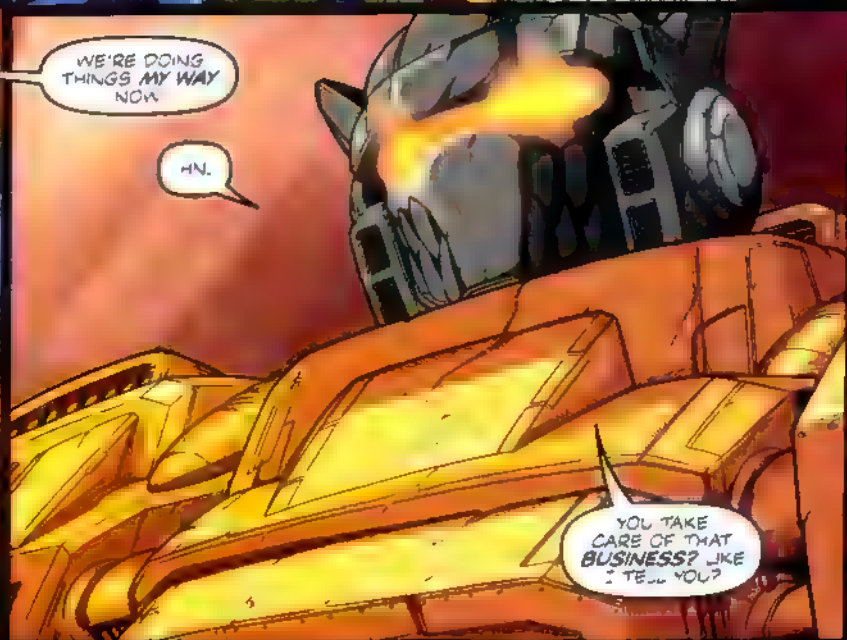
OH!



WHAT YOU
THINK YOU
DOING, PRIME?
MY "ROOPS",
MY CALL.



I HEAR YOU,
GRIMLOCK. ONLY
TOO WELL. BUT LIKE IT
OR NOT-- I'M
TAKING CHARGE



WE'RE DOING
THINGS MY WAY
NOW

HN.

YOU TAKE
CARE OF THAT
BUSINESS? LIKE
- TELL YOU?



I...

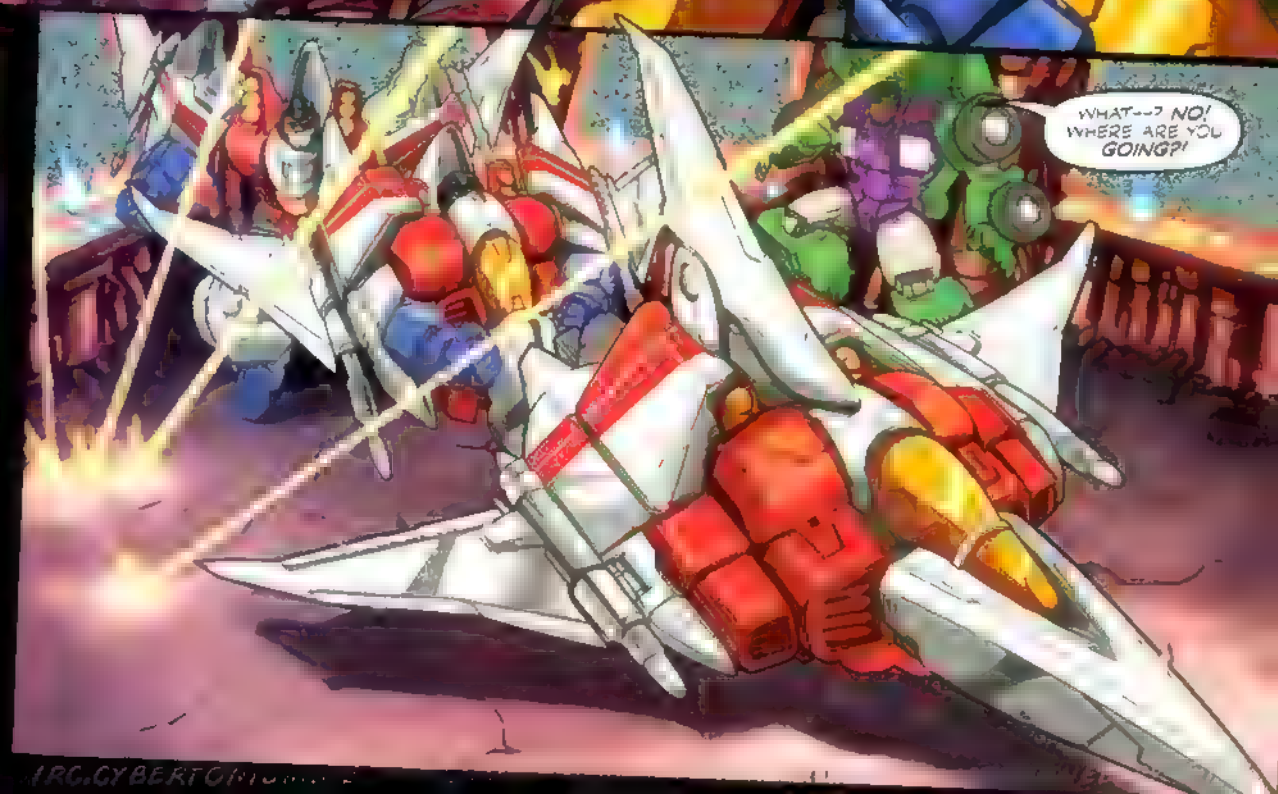
...DID WHAT
I HAD TO BE
DONE!



STARSCREAM, F
THIS IS YOUR IDEA OF A
MASTER PLAN...

...DON'T
GIVE UP THE
DAY JOB!

OHMM...
WHY ME?



WHAT...? NO!
WHERE ARE YOU
GOING?!



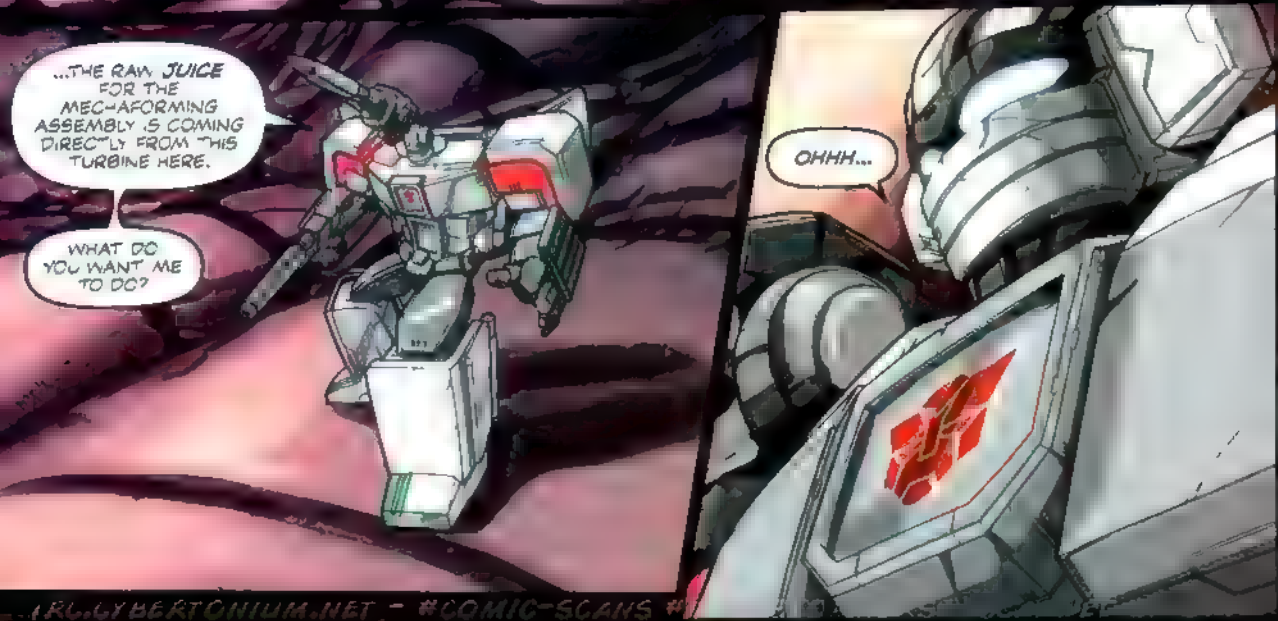
STARSCREAM'S
AWAY...

LET HIM
GO.

WHEELJACK,
ARE YOU SET?




I GUESS, MUCH
AS I CAN FIGURE IT.



...THE RAW JUICE
FOR THE
MECH-AFORMING
ASSEMBLY IS COMING
DIRECTLY FROM THIS
TURBINE HERE.

WHAT DO
YOU WANT ME
TO DO?

OH...H...




AUTOBOTS--
CLEAR THE AREA!
EVERYONE TOPSIDE,
NOW!




WHAT?
BUT--



OH,
FORGET IT
I'M OUTTA
HERE

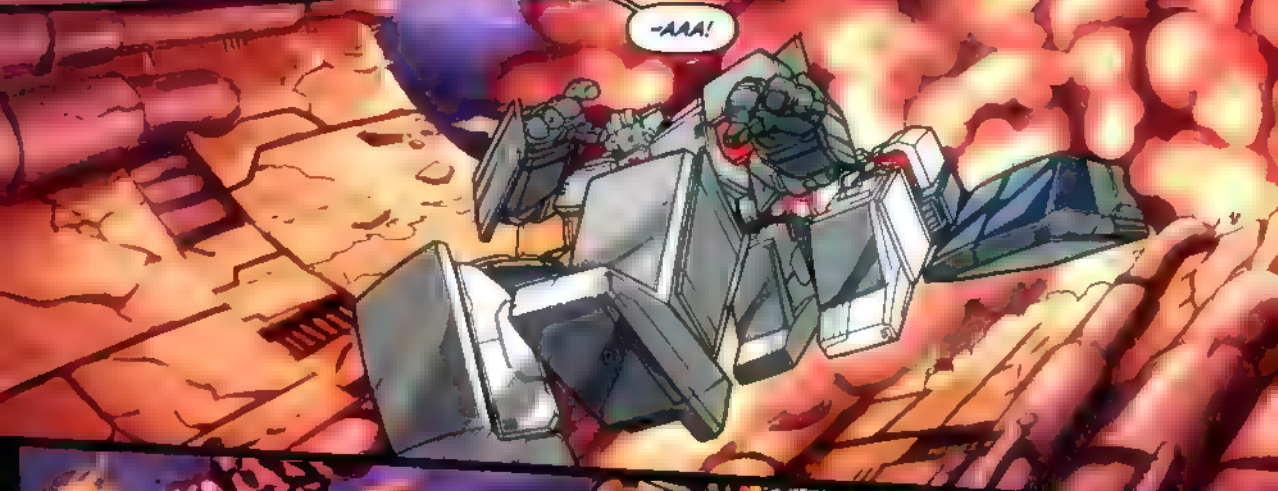
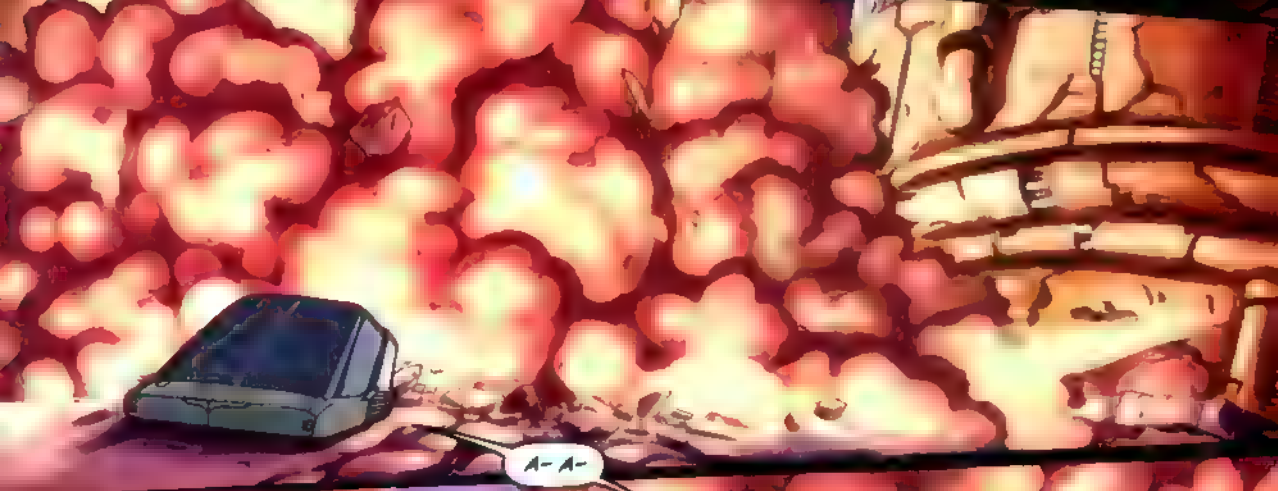


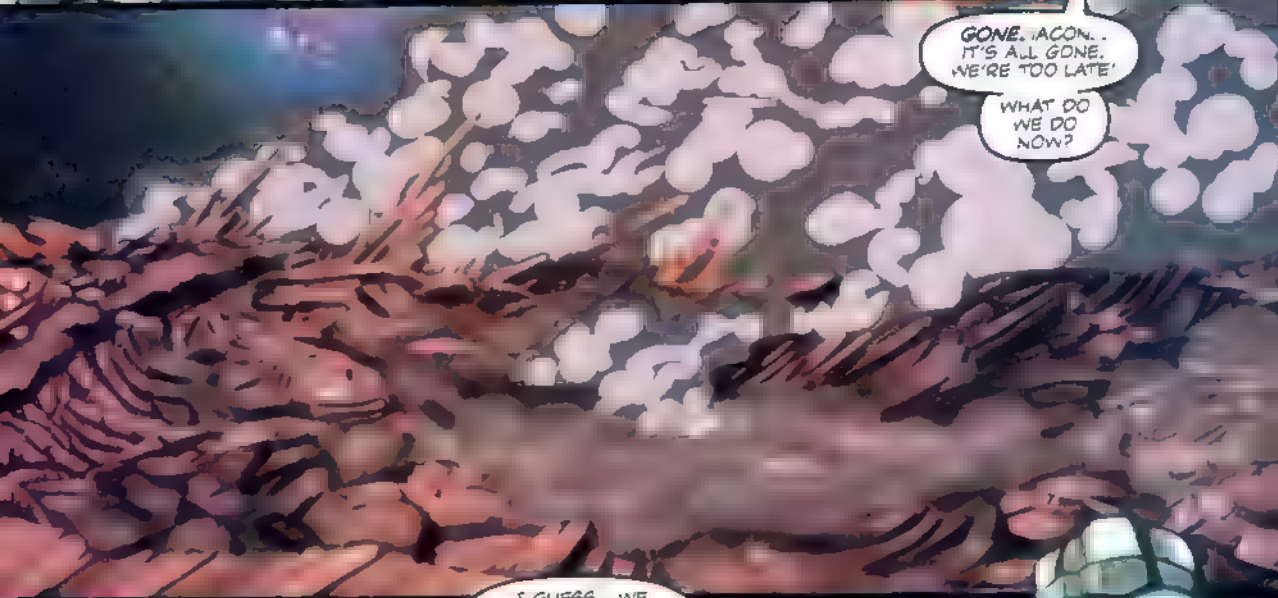
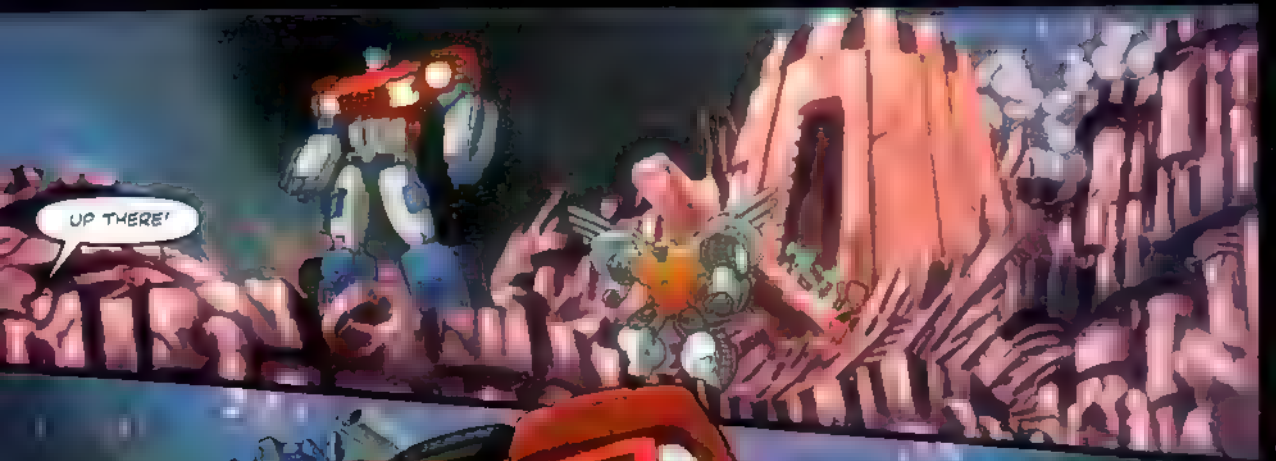
SIXTEEN CYCLES
OF HARD GRAFT IN
ADVANCED NANO-
MECHANICS, A SUSTAINED
CLUSTER OF SYMPOSIA
WITH THE FINEST TECHNO-
THEORETICAL MINDS ON
CYBERTRON.



AND IT ALL
COMES DOWN
TO THIS!





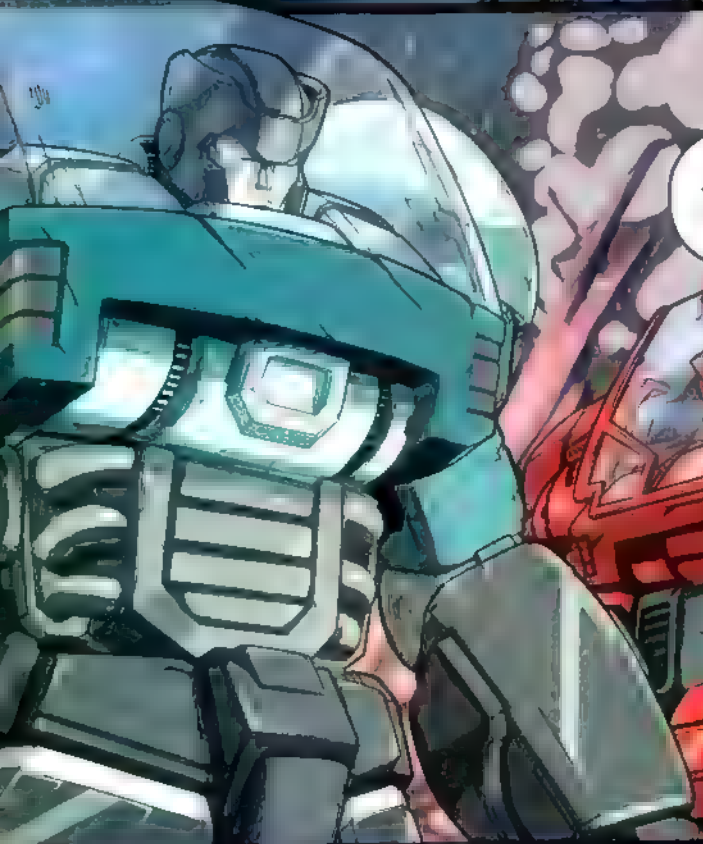





NO.

WE STAY.

I WAS WRONG.
IT WON'T END IF WE
ABANDON CYBERTRON, IT
WILL ONLY **ESCALATE**.
I SAW THIS WORLD AS 'IF IN
A BUBBLE-- ISOLATED,
CONTAINED-- BUT WE ARE
A PART OF SOMETHING
MUCH BIGGER.



AS A RACE, WE
HAVE A **RESPONSIBILITY**.
A REMIT THAT STRETCHES
THROUGH SPACE AND TIME
PAST AND FUTURE A DUTY
ETCHED IN OUR MOST
PRIMAL PROGRAMMING.



RIGHT, BUT
WHERE WE GO
RIGHT NOW?

UNDERGROUND.

WE DIG IN
HERE AND ACROSS
CYBERTRON FIGHT
THE WAR FROM THE
INSIDE OUT THIS
ALL THIS



...IT'S ONLY THE
BEGINNING.

WITHIN:

S-SOUNDWAVE?

SHHHH

LORD
MEGATRON

W-WAT HAPPENED?
THE PRIME--

I... WE...

WE FOUGHT,
THE MATRIX--

I CAN T...
REMEMBER!

YOU'VE THAT IS
ALL THAT MATTERS
WE SURVIVE

TO FIGHT
ANOTHER
DAY

SUB-ORBITAL IACON:

THE PROMONTORY:

WE'RE READY, IACON FIELD UNIT COMMANDERS ARE ASSEMBLED AND AWAIT ORDERS.

I UNDERSTAND, YOU KNOW.

AND?

WHAT YOU GO THROUGH, EVERY DAY.

AS I FOUGHT MEGATRON, I TAPPED INTO SOMETHING DARK AND BURED A LEGACY OF WHAT WE ONCE WERE. HAD I KILLED HIM IN COLD BLOOD I WOULD HAVE GIVEN A SURRENDERED.

WE WALK A FINE LINE, GRIMLOCK... SOME OF US A LITTLE CLOSER TO THE EDGE THAN OTHERS.

THE ENEMY IS WITHIN... HOW WE FACE IT CONTROL IT IS WHAT MAKES US WHO WE TRULY ARE

AND MEGATRON?

MUCH OF WHAT I WITNESSED DOWN THERE IS GONE. I JUST HOPE.

HH, YOU SEE THIS? IT WAS GIVEN TO ME BY GRAVITAS, JUST AFTER I BECAME PR ME.

IT CONTAINS THE COMBINED WISDOM OF THOSE WHO CAME BEFORE ME.

BUT YOU KNOW WHAT?



"I CHOOSE
MY OWN PATH!"

(NOT) THE END.

Line
Re: 10/1



TRANSFORMERS ARMADA #11

The battle for the moon Mini-Cons' fortress base comes to a shocking conclusion! The Destruction Team have been defeated, but in their place stands Leader-1. After years of enforced servitude, it's payback time – and in Leader-1's sights are Megatron, the Autobots and anyone else who happens to get in his way! And for Rad, hard-wired into an orbiting mine, time is running out!



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MORE THAN MEETS
THE EYE

Packed with so many facts and figures on TRANSFORMERS, you'll need a memory upgrade! The second issue of Dreamwave's definitive guide to the TRANSFORMERS gives fans the lowdown on such G1 icons as GALVATRON, HOT ROD, and GRIMLOCK. Your optic sensors will be overloaded with art by such TRANSFORMERS greats as Don Figueroa, Guido Guidi, and TRANSFORMERS: War and Peace artist Pat Lee.

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